

BARN AND CONTENTS DESTROYED

Seven Cows and Three Pigs Burned to Death at Stoddard's Wharf—Flames Discovered at 4:30 Friday Morning, But Structure Was Doomed.

The large barn at Stoddard's Wharf, owned by B. F. Crandall, was totally destroyed by fire of unknown origin about 4:30 o'clock Friday morning. Seven cows and three pigs were burned to death in the flames. A large quantity of hay and cornstalks stored in the barn was destroyed, together with farm tools and machinery.

About 4:30 o'clock Friday morning neighbors saw the blaze and tried to notify Mr. Crandall by telephone, but could not get him on the wire for some minutes. The fire was also

seen by the watchman at Allyn's Point but he could not place the exact location of the flames as he was too far away.

By the time the flames had been discovered they had gained such headway that the structure was doomed. Little or nothing could be done towards saving the barn as there is no fire protection in that neighborhood. The barn, which was built about seven years ago, was one of the largest in the vicinity of Stoddard's wharf. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

BOYS HAVE FORMED PATRIOTIC SERVICE LEAGUE

Clinton Jones Elected President for the Coming Three Months.

A patriotic service league was formed at the Y. M. C. A. Friday evening at a meeting of the boys who patriotically pledged themselves to earn and give \$10 each to the Red Triangle war relief fund.

Charles Tirrell and Clinton Jones, a very interesting talk on his experiences while at Plattsburg. He told of the hard work and of the many pleasures.

Dr. Frank S. Bunnell of the N. F. A. gave a very instructive talk on "What Are We Up Against in This War?"

Those listening realized as never before the seriousness of the times.

Charles Tirrell and Clinton Jones gave short talks on what we can do to help win the war.

It was decided to form a Patriotic Service League which would meet once a month.

The following were elected officers for the coming three months:

President, Clinton Jones; secretary, Charles Tirrell; treasurer, Carl Kloss.

The above officers with Clifford Ott and Arthur Norton make up the executive committee which will arrange for further meetings.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Planning Missionary Rally.

The ladies of Trinity Methodist church are planning a big foreign missionary standard bearer rally for the entire eastern portion of the Norwich district, to be held Tuesday, Dec. 11th, both afternoon and evening.

Yenia Wanser, the standard bearer missionary, who is home on a furlough from China, will be the principal speaker. The young ladies of the church are rehearsing for a pageant entitled The Torch Bearers which is to be part of the evening program.

Miss Wanser is a very gifted voice, will sing in Chinese and English. Further details will be announced later.

The bakers in the town of Stonington are not baking bread on Thursday, following a new federal regulation regarding the conserving of flour.

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Stop! Women and consider these facts

Every statement made in our advertisements is true. Every testimonial we publish is genuine and honest, which proves that

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND

Is the greatest remedy for women's ills known

LYDIA E. PINKHAM MEDICINE CO. LYNN, MASS.



REDUCE REQUESTS FOR NEW PAPER MONEY.

Local Banks Asked to Co-operate in Conservation Plan.

Local member banks of the Boston federal reserve district are in receipt of a circular letter from Alfred L. Aiken, governor of the Boston federal reserve district, asking them to reduce as far as possible requests for absolutely new money in view of the shortage of the paper supply in the United States. The letter is as follows:

Boston, Mass., Nov. 23, 1917. To Member Banks, Boston Federal Reserve District:

Dear Sirs: In the interests of conservation, the attention of member banks is called to the very great waste of paper and labor involved in the present practice in regard to new currency. The federal reserve banks and all the large city banks that are in the habit of shipping currency to their correspondents are well supplied with currency that is practically new and entirely fit for circulation, but that in many cases is not acceptable because it is not absolutely new as it comes from the bureau of engraving and printing. Part of the demand for this new currency is because of the advertising value of its use by various mercantile houses. The supply of paper throughout the United States is very short, with constantly advancing prices, and it would be in the interests of all concerned if, as part of the conservation campaign that is being carried on in all lines, requests for absolutely new money should be reduced as far as it is practicable. The co-operation of merchants can undoubtedly be obtained at the request of the banks, and your attention is respectfully called to it, and your co-operation is requested.

Respectfully, ALFRED L. AIKEN, Governor.

XENS SOCIETY HOLDS ITS REGULAR MEETING

Duets and Reading Wire Features of the Social Hour.

The regular meeting of the Xens society was held Friday evening. A short business meeting was held, followed by a general social hour.

A programme of music and readings was given and greatly enjoyed.

Opening with singing of many of the old fashioned favorite songs, the programme included duets by Mrs. Frank Waters and Stephen H. Peckham, and readings by Mrs. John O. Peckham and Mrs. C. O. Christman.

A social hour was held at the close of the evening.

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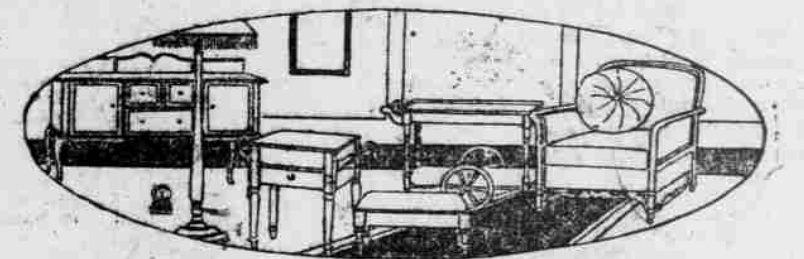
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Make Your Holiday Purchases FROM OUR LARGE AND MOST Attractive Display



We can help you greatly in the proper selection of suitable holiday gifts. Our prices for the holidays, too, will meet with your approval. We have everything in the House Furnishing line which makes not only useful but practical gifts. We beg to invite your inspection and then compare our goods with others. You will then be convinced of the merits of our goods. We have most attractive designs for the

Bed Room Dining Room
Drawing Room Library

Rocking Horses,
Children's Doll Carriages, Etc.

HOURIGAN'S

62-66 Main Street Norwich Finn's Block Jewett City

ed: music by Liberty chorus. Saturday, December 8—Union—At Union town hall; chairman, H. R. Howard; speakers, Judge William H. Heald of Stafford Springs and Executive Secretary John Buckley of Union; music by Liberty chorus.

Sunday, December 9—Stafford Springs—At Theatre Comique; chairman, H. R. Howard; speakers, Charles Phelps of Rockville and another to be arranged.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Waterman R. Burnham. Ella A. Bradford, wife of the late Waterman R. Burnham, and a former resident of this city, died in Brooklyn, N. Y., Friday morning, nephritis being the primary cause of death, although Mrs. Burnham had been in failing health since August, 1915.

Mrs. Burnham was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Bradford and was born in Newport, R. I., March 29, 1846. She married the late Waterman R. Burnham in 1883 and up to the time of her husband's death they had made their home in this city. Since his death about two years ago, she had made her home with her son, Rufus B. Burnham in Detroit, Mich., going with him two months ago to Brooklyn.

Mrs. Burnham was a member of Broadway Congregational church, a member of Faith Trumbull chapter, D. A. R., and of the Connecticut Society of Mayflower Descendants. Surviving are one son, Rufus B. Burnham, and a sister, Mrs. C. A. House of Gardiner, Me.

The body will be brought to Norwich for interment in the family lot in Yantic cemetery.

District boards have been requested by Governor Marcus H. Holcomb, to forward to the adjutant general immediately all names which have been reported to the boards by local boards of registration, of men who have been called for physical examinations and did not appear.

The Porteous & Mitchell Company

TOYLAND WILL OPEN TODAY

Men's Winter Overcoats

Men's and Youths' Form-fitting and Loose Back Winter Overcoats in plain blue, gray and fancy mixtures—these are very special value at.... \$19.50

Men's Sheepskin Coats, 52 inches long with opossum collar at \$20.00—same coat with wool collar—Special price..... \$18.00

SPECIAL BATH ROBE OFFER

We will offer today 50 Men's Bath Robes, in a wide range of fancy designs and a full assortment of sizes—these would make a very desirable holiday gift for a man—Special price..... \$3.95

GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR MEN

If you are seeking a gift for a man—then consider our Men's Store. We show everything in Men's Wear for holiday gifts—House Coats, Bath Robes, Night Shirts, Pajamas, Dress Shirts, Sweaters, Neckwear, Suspenders, Hosiery, Gloves, Umbrellas, Traveling Bags, Suit Cases, Etc.

BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

Boys' Aviation Caps, very popular with the boys at 69c.

Boys' Winter Caps, with inside bands at 95c and 69c.

Boys' Toggles, good assortment and excellent values at 95c and 69c.

Boys' Gray Chinohills Overcoats, sizes 4 to 9, regular value \$6.00—Special price..... \$4.95

Boys' Winter Overcoats, sizes 12 to 17, serviceable and warm, regular value \$11.00—Special price..... \$9.00

Other good values in Boys' Winter Overcoats, sizes 10 to 18, at \$12.00, \$15.00, \$18.50 and \$18.00.

LAST DAY OF THE TOWEL SALE

TODAY WILL BE THE LAST DAY OF THE SPECIAL SALE OF MARTEX WASH CLOTHS, TOWELS, ETC.

Martex Wash Cloths, white and colored border, regular 12 1/2c and 15c values at..... 8c

Martex Towels, guest size, assorted colorings, regular 25c and 30c values at..... 17c

Martex Turkish Towels, individual size, good assortment, regular 35c value at..... 25c

Martex Turkish Towels, individual size, good assortment, regular 50c and 62c values at..... 35c

High-grade Martex Turkish Towels for county jackets, 75c and \$1.00 values at..... 49c

Martex Bath Rugs in three sizes at \$1.49, 95c and..... 69c

SANTA CLAUS will be here today with enough Toys for every boy and girl in Eastern Connecticut. In his far-a-way northern home he has been working night and day to complete his orders so that no one will be disappointed.

WE extend a general invitation to the public to come today and see the Christmas stocks—they are now ready. You'll find this store wonderfully helpful now. The completeness of the stocks, the assured high quality of everything here, the certainty of fair prices and a full money's worth—these are some of the advantages which people will enjoy who do their holiday shopping at this store.

WHY not begin your holiday shopping NOW? We believe that more people will do their shopping earlier this season than ever before, and we are prepared to supply your holiday demands NOW. Great assortments are a feature of our holiday stocks. Nowhere outside of this store will you find such complete stocks of goods suitable for holiday gifts. Take a walk through the store today—see the splendid array of holiday goods. On every floor, in every aisle, you'll find gift suggestions.

HOW SANTA CLAUS WILL COME

He will come on the "Santa Claus Special" by way of Moosup, being due there at 1 o'clock today—Plainfield at 1.15, Jewett City at 1.45, Baltic at 2.03, Occum at 2.10, Taftville at 2.21, arriving at Franklin Square at 2.45. He invites all his boy and girl friends to meet him. From the time of his arrival until Christmas eve he will make his headquarters in our large display window.

Women's Coats—Special Values

For today we will offer an excellent assortment of Women's and Misses' Winter Coats, made of good quality kersey and velour cloths, with Karamie, Plush or Self Collars, regular values up to \$20.00—Special price..... \$14.95

A very attractive lot of Women's Coats in smart belted models, buttoning high at the neck, with Kit Coney, Karamie and Raccoon Collars, these sell regularly up to \$25.00—Special price..... \$24.50

WOMEN'S \$20.00 SUITS AT \$12.50

Women's Tailored Suits of excellent quality cheviot in black and navy, smart belted models that button high at the neck—good, heavy weight Suits for cold weather—these are regular \$20.00 Suits at..... \$12.50

USEFUL HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR CHILDREN

Our Children's Department on second floor abounds in useful and practical gifts for children, including Furs, Knit Goods of all kinds, Dresses, Coats and a variety of Trinkets.

RIBBONS Women who have fancy articles to make for Christmas will be interested in our showing of Dresden and other Fancy Ribbons. Be sure and see our Novelty Ribbons at 19c, 25c, 29c and up to 50c a yard.

WOMEN'S FINE DRESS HATS AT \$6.85

We offer a choice of our entire stock of Women's Fine Dress Hats, including Pattern Hats from our own workroom, Gage Brothers' Tailored Hats, Etc.—Hats that sold up to \$18.50, all at..... \$6.85

OTHER SPECIAL VALUES IN DRESS HATS

Hats that usually sell at \$3.98..... \$2.98
Hats that usually sell at \$5.00..... \$3.98
Hats that usually sell at \$4.85..... \$4.85

Many other special values in Millinery—Untrimmed Hats, Hat Trimmings, including Feathers, Bands, Ornaments, Etc.

Saturday Specials in Candy

Russell's Old-fashioned Chocolates, bitter coating—Special price a pound..... 29c
Hard Candies, peanut puffs, peppermints, chicken bones, etc.—Special price a pound..... 33c
Defiance Chocolates, assorted flavors—Special price a pound..... 38c
Chocolate Covered, Cordial Cherries, cream centers—Special price a pound..... 45c

Remnants, mused and soiled pieces of Hamburg at less than cost.

One lot of 17 and 18-inch Flouncings and Corset Cover Goods, value up to 35c—Special price a yard..... 10c

One lot of 18-inch Flouncings, value up to 55c a yard—Special price a yard..... 29c

One lot of 27-inch Flouncings, value up to 85c a yard—Special price a yard..... 38c

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